

National Woman Suffrage Association.

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To the Honorable Senate
and House of Representatives in Congress
assembled.

We the undersigned, citizens of the
United States, but deprived of some of the privileges
and immunities of citizens, among which is
the right to vote, beg leave to submit the fol-
lowing Resolution:—

Resolved: That we, the officers and members
of the National Woman Suffrage Association, in
Convention assembled; Respectfully ask
Congress to enact appropriate legislation
during its present session to protect women
citizens in the several States of this
Union, in their right to vote.

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Petition of the National Women's Suffrage Association to Congress (1873)

From the beginning of the Republic, American women sought to obtain civil rights, but it was 1848 before an organized movement for such rights began. Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony were two of the leaders who in 1869 formed the National Women's Suffrage Association. They signed this 1873 petition of the Association to Congress, which asks for legislation to protect women in their right to vote in the several States.

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